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VIA HAND DELIVERY

February 15, 2006

Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni
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COMMISSION

RE: Tariff Filing of BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. (South Carolina P.S.C. Tariff No. 5) (cover letter date of December 22, 2005).

Dear Mr. Terreni:

By Order No. 2006-74, dated January 27, 2006, the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (Commission), granted a request by the Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) to suspend processing of the above-referenced tariff filing by BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. The purpose of the requested suspension was to provide ORS the opportunity to resolve informally a compliance or consumer interest related issue in lieu of a request for a formal investigation of the tariff filing. Order No. 2006-74 also directed ORS to complete its investigation and report its recommendation no later than February 24, 2006.

The purpose of the instant letter is to advise the Commission that ORS has already reported its recommendation to the Commission. Attached to this letter are copies of email correspondence from Joseph W. Rogers, the Tariffs Administrator for the ORS, concerning the tariff filing. On January 3, 2006, Mr. Rogers initially requested the suspension of processing of the tariff revisions submitted by BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. (See Attachment 1.) On January 5, 2006, Mr. Rogers submitted a memorandum to the Commission advising that BellSouth Long Distance, Inc. submitted replacement tariff pages to the Commission and that the replacement tariff pages resolved all issues identified by the ORS. (See Attachment 2) After this matter appeared on the Commission's agenda for the week of January 23, 2006, Mr. Rogers resubmitted his earlier email advising the Commission that the issues related to this tariff filing were resolved by the filing of the replacement pages. (See attachment 3).

I hope that this letter clarifies that the issues originally identified by the ORS have been resolved by the filing of replacement tariff pages by BellSouth Long Distance, Inc., that ORS does not request a formal investigation, and that ORS does not oppose the tariff filing as amended by the replacement pages.

Should further information be required, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Florence P. Belser', written over the printed name.

Florence P. Belser
General Counsel

FPB:pm

cc: Colanthia Alvarez, Public Service Commission of South Carolina
Joseph W. Rogers, ORS
Jim McDaniel, ORS
Katie Morgan, ORS
Thomas M. Forte, Technologies Management, Inc.

From: Joe Rogers
To: Charles.terreni@psc.state.sc.us
Date: 1/3/2006 11:11:21 AM
Subject: Request for suspension in processing tariff filing

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January 3, 2006

VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSFER

Memorandum To: Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni, Chief Clerk/Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina

From: Joseph W. Rogers, Tariffs Administrator
Office of Regulatory Staff

In Re: Request for delay in processing of tariff filing of BellSouth Long Distance, Inc.,
related to its Initial Access Service Tariff (South Carolina P.S.C. Tariff No. 5)

This is a request to postpone the processing of tariff revisions submitted by BellSouth Long Distance, Inc., cover letter date of December 22, 2005. Due to fact that a non-compliance and/or consumer interest related issue may exist in this tariff filing, the Office of Regulatory Staff would like the opportunity to discuss the changes contained in this filing with the Company. This request for a delay in processing is in lieu of a formal request for investigation. Hopefully, we will be able to resolve our issues without the necessity of a formal investigation.

Please acknowledge receipt of this request electronically by the end of this day with your decision on this request to Joe Rogers (jwrogers@regstaff.sc.gov). After we discuss this matter with the Company, we will advise you either of resolution of our concerns or of the need to conduct a formal investigation.

cc: Florence Belser, ORS
Katie Morgan, ORS
Jim McDaniel, ORS
Colanthia Alvarez, SCPSC
Thomas M. Forte, Technologies Management, Inc.

From: Joe Rogers
To: Charles.terreni@psc.state.sc.us
Date: 1/5/2006 1:16:36 PM
Subject: Resolution of suspension request

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January 5, 2006

VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSFER

Memorandum To: Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni, Chief Clerk/Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina

From: Joseph W. Rogers, Tariffs Administrator
Office of Regulatory Staff

In Re: Resolution with BellSouth Long Distance, Inc., related to its Initial Access Service
Tariff (South Carolina P.S.C. Tariff No. 5)

This is inform you that the issues related to the tariff filing by BellSouth Long Distance, Inc., cover letter date of December 22, 2005 have been resolved. The Office of Regulatory Staff does not intend to request a formal investigation.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated. The Company submitted a transmittal letter with supplemental and replacement tariff pages which you should receive, cover letter date of January 4, 2006. The aforementioned changes resolve all issues from the Office of Regulatory Staff.

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Thomas M. Forte, Technologies Management, Inc.

From: Joe Rogers
To: Charles.terreni@psc.state.sc.us
Date: 1/27/2006 9:17:38 AM
Subject: Resend of intent to demonstrate resolution of tariff matter

This was intended to be sent on January 5, 2006. All issues from this office have been resolved. Please refer to Action Item No. 16 on the Commission's Agenda from the week of January 23, 2006.

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